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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I am writing as a concerned citizen about the proposed Microsoft Antitrust Settlement. It seems that Microsoft is receiving a "penalty" that not only fails to restrict them in a serious way, but even ends up protecting them against their major rivals. Microsoft is under no requirement to release it's standards to society at large, but instead only to other "for profit" companies that are judged by a committee set up by Microsoft.

Microsoft has shown in the past that it has very little societal ethics. If given a position that they can take advantage of, I am sure that Microsoft will make use of every opportunity. We must restate the wording of this proposal to prevent Microsoft from turning the restrictions into an even stronger chokehold on the software industry.

Sincerely,
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